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Our Case No. 0113609/002

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
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John C. Hiatt, Jr., et al.)	
)	Examiner: Jocelyn Greimel
Serial No.: 10/017,040)	
)	Group Art Unit No.: 3693
Filing Date: December 6, 2001)	
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For: Delayed Start Financial)	
Instrument And Method For)	
Converting Delayed Start)	
Financial Instrument To A)	
Standard Option)	

AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on April 5, 2007 setting a shortened statutory response date of one month. As this paper is being filed on June 5, 2007, a one-month extension of time is being submitted herewith.

Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.